

**IL HIE Medicaid Work Group
Meeting Notes
June 10, 2013**

Attendees (by phone):

Amanda Attaway	Illinois State Medical Society
Ben Barnard	Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS)
Dave Barnes	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Julie Bonello	Access Community Health Network
Pat Borrowdale	Pediatric Health Associates
John Campagna	Advocate Health Systems
Kelly Carter	Illinois Primary Health Care Association
Julie Glen	Loyola University
Peter Ingram	Sinai Health System
Wyona Johnson	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Patrick Kathmann	Lurie Children's Hospital
Vince Keenan	Illinois Academy of Family Physicians
John Lekich	Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT)
Mary McGinnis	Office of Health Information Technology
Elizabeth McKnight	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center
Raul Recarey	IL Health Information Exchange Authority
Mary Ring	Illinois Critical Access Hospital Network
Direndia Shackelford	Advocate Physician Partners
Theresa Walunas	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center
Eric Watson	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Lori Williams	Illinois Hospital Association

1) Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the April 1st, April 29th, and May 13th were approved by the work group.

2) Status of the Supplemental Appropriation

- **Update on Attestation for Program Year 2012**

Wyona Johnson reported that the supplemental appropriation was approved and signed. HFS can now start processing attestations.

3) Year 3 Attestations – timing, system

Wyona reported that HFS received approval from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to move ahead with the Michigan application solution for the Provider Incentive Program (PIP). HFS has not formally launched the application yet. The application will be operational conservatively by the end of September unless something drastic occurs.

4) EHR/PIP Status Update

- **Payments to date (5/10/13)**

2,864 Eligible Providers (EPs) - \$60,144,617 (2,145 from 2011, 719 from 2012, all Year 1 Payments)

128 Eligible Hospital (EHs) - \$161,014,668 (92 from 2011; 2012-36 Year 1 Payments, 43 Year 2 Payments)

Total - \$221,159,285

Wyona Johnson said that HFS tested the new attestation system and it worked well. HFS will begin processing the Eligible Hospital audits that have gone through the adjudication process first. **Eric Watson** said that after the hospitals, they will concentrate on year one Eligible Providers (EPs) that have done the attestation for Attest, Implement, and Upgrade (AIU). They will work on the Meaningful Use EP attestations simultaneously.

Vince Keenan inquired about the timetable for payments to EPs so that he can report about it in his organization's newsletter. **Eric Watson** said that he plans to finalize all 2012 adjudication's for hospitals this week or by the first of next week and then work to complete the EPs by the end of June. Outreach to providers should include that they need to verify their status on MEDI in the EHR application. If their status has not changed by the first of July, they should contact the HFS EHR Adjudication Unit for assistance at one of the numbers and extensions shown below.

217/782-5565 *3236 for Kevin Miller

217/782-5565 *3234 for Amanda Wanless

217/782-5565 *3237 for Veronica Schulz-Lehr

217/782-5565 *3235 for Mecky Lang

5) Pre-payment Audit Process

- **Attestations in work queue (5/10/13):**

EPs –1,609 (1,010 for AIU Year 1 Payments; 599 for MU Year 2 Payments)

EHs – 43 (all 2012, 20 Year 1 Payments, 23 Year 2 Payments)

Peter Ingram noted that this topic was covered while discussing the fourth agenda item.

6) Outreach to EPs

Wyona Johnson indicated that CMS approved the Regional Extension Centers (RECs) contracts which are being finalized. Once the contract is signed, a kickoff meeting will be held in July.

Peter Ingram asked if HFS knows which Illinois EPs have not participated in the PIP so that outreach can focus on those providers. **Theresa Walunas** said that they will do an analysis on what other Medicaid providers could be applying for the PIP. Once the analysis is done, the RECs will contact providers to assist them with the program.

Meeting adjourned. The next call is scheduled on Monday, June 24th.